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- 1. Correction: Terms changed in the claim to "first lock nut" and "second lock nut" .**
- 2. Quotation 35 U.S.C. 103(a) noted for content and application to the review of this patent application.**
- 3. Claim rejections under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) noted and the apparatus of the invention reviewed for prior art comparison to Ross (2,464,993) , Mason (2,489,581) , Mason (3,211,202) and Waller (2,156,645) in light of the findings and suggestions of the Examiner.**
- 4. (a) Per item 1. above the Claim changed to distinguish locknuts as "first locknut" and "second locknut".**

**(b) Thread form advantage and non-obviousness detailed
as regards the use of American Standard Uniform
Thread Form in design of the apparatus of the
invention.**

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